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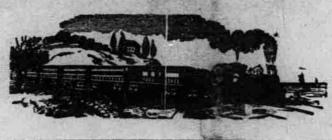
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LATEST NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH TO DATE.

The lower Mississippi was at a very

Carolina, U. S. consul to Bahia.

reports discredited.

without division.

commercial policy would seem to demand

worked smoothly. Extra choice wheat sold at \$1 65@1 70 for spot lots, \$1 62%

spot, and bags-Calcutta-at 8% for

The New York Tribune says editorially:

against a continuation of immigration

from the land of flowers to these states.

whether the Mongolians will accept this

advice with a smile that is childlike and

bland and then will take ship for the

United States the same as before, or will

be induced to remain in China and grow

up with the country. Unless congress passes some such bill as the one now

pending, we doubt if any considerable

check can be put upon John's move-

The democratic congressional cam-

paign committee, to consist of one mem-

sentatives: Herndon of Alabama, Jones

of Arkansas, Rosecrans of California,

Phelps of Connecticut, Martin of Dela-

ianna, McLane of Maryland, Morse of

Massachusetts, Singleton of Mississipp

Cox of New York, Randall of Pennsyl

vania, Evans of South Carolina, Whit

thorne of Tennessee, Wellborne of Texas,

Barbour of Virginia, Ouray of Arizona,

Ainslie of Idaho, McGinnis of Montana,

Post of Wyoming. As the full commit-tee will consist of forty-six members,

eighteen remain to be selected. After each state and territory has been heard

from General Rosecrans, chairman of the lemocratic caucus, will call the commit-

tee together for the purpose of selecting

2d: Kate M. Armstrong, J. W. Donohoe,

W. W. Jackson, Andrew E. Boone and Sam'l G. Cabell, for perjury, 2d of De-

cember, 1880, in signing certain blanks-

26 bills for carrying mails in the name of

The second batch of indictments in the

on executive committee and chairman.

Clark of Missouri, Flower of New York

same delivery.

a wall to keep the natives in.

ROSEBURG, OREGON, SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 1882.

NO. 48.

But oh, I wish you could have seen

that meat pie when I took it from the

Caught in the Ice

again intrude upon the waters of the eastern coast of Newfoundland has very recently occurred. It had nearly out-

stripped in magnitude the dismal ice-floe

tragedy of April, two years ago, an ac-count of which was published in the

Herald at the time. The sad story of the

they were accustomed to cut frames of

houses, flake pieces, stage timber and

winter firewood. They crossed the bay without secident, and having completed

their work left for home on the morning

ingly determined to keep on their home-

bound course, but this was a fatal decis-

skiffs which had not parted company en-

ceeded in libearting themselves from

Wednesday night last was one of ter-

rific storm and wind and frost, and those

they could have reached their homes in

four or five hours, and hence their

absolute lack of resources in food and

A traveler on foot who arrived last

Thursday evening from the gullies of

Fox Trap, reports having seen the two skiffs locked in the embrace of the ice-

rigidly entombed in their frail skiffs and

"It is well known," says the New York

Times, "that Mr. Doyle resigned connec-

tion with Punch on account of its jibes at the Roman Catholic church. But now

that journal has, in Mr. Burnand, a Ro-

man Catholic editor—a fact which peeps out now and again in its pages. Thus in

the last received number appears one of a series of Punch's prize medals, repre-senting, with telling pungency, what probably few people here would compre-hend. One side of the medal is in-

the wintry winds may long moan a requiem over their sufferings and sad fate.

N. Y. Herald.

Arctic current.

A shocking disaster to human life among the bleak ice fields that now and

HOW AUNT ORPHA CAME TO US.

Hon. Milton S. Latham, ex-U. S. sena-or frem California, died in New York City on the 4th.

Patrick Eagan, treasurer of the national land league funds, has sent a letter from Paris to Judge Birdsall, of New high stage on the 1st and 21. Much damage was caused and several lives lost York, member of the committee, sugin Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana. gesting that in view of the slanders of enemies concerning the expenditure of The president has nominated Corneins A. Logan, of Illinois, envoy extraorfunds, an auditing committee be appointed to examine every detail of outlay. The reserve fund is now \$287,000, propdinary and minister plenipotentiary to Chili, and John B. Weaver, of North erly secured.

The following are last week's postal changes: Established — Fultonville, The Russo-Jewish committee of London have prepared a statement confirming reports of outrages on Jews in Rus-Wasco county, Oregon, James Fulton, postmaster; Howard, Wasco county, Oregon, Mary C. Allen, postmistress, Discontinued—Cypress, Whatcom Co., sia; including many cases of murder and rape, which the recent British consular W. T. Postmasters appointed -Charles Evans, New Tacoma, Pierce county, W. Ex-Secretary Conkling's acceptance or rejection of the place upon the supreme bench was the object of a protracted con-ference at the White House, in which T.: Melisa L. Taylor, Pekin, Cowlitz county, W. T.

Conkling was represented by a friend who is very conversant with his views. It has been discovered that George Sheppard, who claimed to have shot Jesse James, is really James' friend, and It is learned from an authorative source that Conkling before leaving New York was disposed to decline the appointment but he has now about determined to accept. The west bound passenger train on the Baltimore and Ohio road on the night of leg to create the belief that he had fought with James. Taxed with his perfidy, he confessed that James was still alive.

The contract division of the postoffice department sent out nearly 3000 notificagate, throwing all the cars except the sleeper from the track. The engine ran into the store of Geo. W. James. The tions to successful star-route contractors, store and train except the sleeper were informing them of the official acceptance burned. John Gigley and John Bremer, of their proposals for service. The agengineer and fireman, were instantly gregate sum of their bids is about \$4,000,killed. The mail and express matter was 000. A. E. Beone, one of the contractors now under indictment for conspiracy by the grand jury, has secured a large number of these awards, although if The senate in executive session confirmed the nominations of ex-senators Conkling and Sargent to be associate jus- found guilty of this offence the departtice of the supreme court and minister to ment may begin proceedings to cancel these and similar contracts. Germany. Sargent's nomination was

confirmed unanimously. The vote on The steamer Ville D'Alger arrived at Conkling's confirmation is understood to New York from Bordeaux and reports have been 39 yeas and 12 mays (eight that Feb. 28th she fell in with the overdue steamer City of Berlin, from Liver-pool for New York, with machinery broken, and took her in tow and towed democrats and four republicans, namely Hoar, Dawes, Morrill and Hawley). Sargent's nomination was confirmed her for eight hours, when the steamer Samaria came up and took the Berlin in The New York Herald editorially says: cisco have sought the golden mean so dear to the disciple of Confucius, by suggesting by cable that as there is great | Schaeffer, the billiard player. The Sa- | maria arrived of Boston light this evenexcitement on the Pacific coast over the rapid influx of Chinamen, shippers at | ing with the City of Berlin in tow. She Hong Kong should prevent trouble by

will arrive up late. arresting the rush. There was a time The grand jury came into the criminal when they raised an immense wall to keep court at Washington on the 4th and presented indictments for conspiracy in conthe barbarian out, but now the Chinese nection with star route mail service against the following: Thomas J. Brady, S. W. Dorsey, Henry M. Vail, John W The San Francisco Produce Exchange Dorsey, John R. Minor, John M. Peck, Mc. R. Odell, J. L. Sanderson, Wm. H. held its first call on the 27th which was eminently satisfactory. Bidding was Turner, and also against Alvan O. Buck. fairly lively considering the present dull Wm. S. Barringer and Albert E. Boone, condition of the market, and everything and against Kate M. Armstrong for perjury. The indictments against Brady. for 5 days delivery and \$1 67½ for No. 1 white for May delivery; No. 2 brewing barley \$1 77½ 180 for spot lots; No. 1 Dorsey and others are voluminous, and based on charges heretofore stated in prosecution of the cases in various

medium at \$1 42\% for July delivery, No. 2 \$1 70 spot; No. 1 cats at \$1 81\% mittee on coipage, weights and measures, made argument before that committee in favor of establishment of a mint at St. Louis or some other eligible point in the once more the Chinaman is given to un-Mississippi valley. In course of his remarks Bland urged the importance of derstand with entire directness and the qualities of emphasis that his room upon the Pacific coast is incomparably better than his company. California, Oregon popularizing silver coins as a means of encouraging habits of economy and saving among people, which he considered far better than continuance of the presand Nevada are earnestly protesting ent system, which results in locking up Au immense Chinese meeting was held in the vaults of the treasury a large proin San Francisco on the 4th, and the portion of standard silver dollars, and movement has assumed such proportions thereby practically demonstraing silver. and power that leading Chinese mer-Burchard, director of the mint, also made chants on the coast have joined in a disa statement favoring the establishment patch to one of the great commercial of a mint at some point on the Mississippi bodies of Hongkong counseling a pause river. in immigration. It remains to be seen

Representatives of several house committees have been in consultation for some time upon bills introduced looking to the transfer of all claims upon the treasury now before congress to the court of claims. They decided to recommend substantially the bill of Representative House of Tennessee. The calendar is so loaded with all sorts of relief bills and claims it is practically impossible to consider any of them promptly. The design is not to confer upon the court power to decide and award, but simply ber from each state and territory, to be udicially investigate and report the tesselected by their respective delegations in congress, has been partially formed by the selection of the following repretimony in each case with an opinion of its rights, for the guidance of congress when it comes to consider an appropriation to pay claims, for only such as have merit are likely to be submitted.

ware, Clements of Georgia, Townshend of Illinois, Cobb of Indiana, Philo Thompson of Kentucky, King of Louis-A Paris cable says a party of Americans traveling from Brussels to this city were subjected to indefinable brutality at the police station of Felgnies on the night of the 1st inst. They were awakened by custom officials to have their baggage examined, and were abused for not immediately complying, and assaulted by the commissarie de police for protesting against the way in which Mrs. Reynolds, of Providence, was treated. That lady was roughly dragged out of a sleeping car, bareheaded, without a bonnet and cloak, and exposed to coarse jeers of douaniers. The male portion of the party resisting the violence done them, the gen d'armes with fixed bayonets were called to the assistance of the officials. and three of them arrested and refused permission to telegraph the American minister and their friends. They were straw bond case, was presented on the not released until morning, and were condemned to a fine of 500 francs each. coupled with police surveillance for eight months. The case seems exceptionally bad and calls for action on the part of the late J. Armstrong; John W. Dorsey, perjury on oath; C. F. Perkins, Geo. B. Dalton, John F. Foote and Geo. S. our representatives here. Leon Leontuir, formerly of Chicago, was one of the

Hazen, in swearing April 26, 1879, to an Johnson, of Virginia, has filed in the affidavit to induce the postmaster general to expedite such routes; John W. Dor-The property of the property o Lellan and others, in making affidavit as lellan and others.

BY SARAH DE WOLF GAMWELL. It was Het's turn to serve Thanksgiving turkey this year, and we all said she did it to perfection. We all know, for

we were all there. We are always all there,- with the Thanksgiving turkey; we pass ourselves around at Thanksgivgirls,—and Aunt Orpha, who is Charlie's sunt and lives with Het. Charlie is turning the sofa pillow for him, when it Flour must first be sifted; did Moll Het's husband, and drives a killing busi- came to me, that now was the time. blocks for the deaf and dumb daughter of a colored washerwoman. As for Clayte it would be quite as much to the point to tell what he had not done, as what he had. Negatively then he had been out in Chicago one year, and he had if I had.

was actually trembling all over. Charlie sat up and looked at me, as if I had taken the last leave of my senses; and I felt as if I had. not smoked one cigar, he had not once as much as "looked upon the wine when it is red," he had not once forgotten to write to his mother every Sunday, (except when he had the measles, and then,

"Yes, certainly else could do it?"

Mollie brought he wouldn't give Joe any peace till he had written for him-Joe is a fellow boarder,) he had not once failed to keep not to me, but his appetite. an appointment with his employers, or to tender them the full measure of honest, faithful, cheerful service, every time, full, pressed down and running eating long enough to tell me who this turn. Positively he was taller, broader shouldered, fuller chested, deeper voiced; he bore his 18 years with the dignity of a man who looks the whole world in the face out of honest eyes, who means to ble. She was my dear mother's young-

and so successfully ! Of course we made | you. him our king, pro tem. I learned that

faction of remarking to another member. "I told you so." "Speaking of chicken-pie," said Uncle Philetus, passing his plate for the sec-ond time, "speaking of chicken-pie, Mehitable, (he was Aunt Filura's husband, and always gave Het the full benefit of her name,) seems to me I have heard that your first efforts in that direction for fear there will be a small earthquake were attended with an amount of uncertainty as to results."

"No uncertainty about it," replied Het with a laugh. "In the first place it pie, and as to results—it was a most perfect failure, the flattest, deadest failure I ever saw, as Aunt Orpha or Charlie here can testify. But the story of that meatpie is so mixed up with smallpox that I will defer it till after dinner., "Smallpox and meat-pie! How queer,"

"How queer," echoed her second. "That reminds me," said Clayte, "of the time we had up in Chicago, this fall, "You don't say so." "Were there?' "Did you have anything to do with that?" Why, I read about that in the papers," from a chorus of voices. "Oh, yes, I was there. We locked the doors and charged in upon them right and left; not one man, woman or child

Clayte suddenly doubled himself up and grew very red in the face. "Wall, I never would believe it of you, Daniel Clayxton Doolittle," groaned grandma, "with all we have heard and believed of your steadfastness, that you would go gallavanting around with a set of scape grace doctors, and disturbing people at their worship on the Sabbath day. I wonder the minister did not have

you arrested." "Oh, as to that, we did not go till after the service, and the priest was with us. He ordered every soul of them to 'present arms,' and I pointed as many as the mountains of the moon; and I'm not forty. Oh, it was a time to be remem-bered." And Clayte doubled himself up hind the red flag, and while Mollie learns

"But I thought your business was in a store," said Aunt Filura. "Not being a heathen or a Jew, I do not follow my business on Sunday."
"Well, tell us about it,do tell us about How came you along with those

"There isn't much to tell. I was with some members of the health department, and they invited me to go over. We went and saw, and conquered-that is about all there was to it." Wall, I must say when I saw it all

to go anywhere, so he brought me right usually furnish this," said he, holding belief. (Somehow I always think of poor here, and then never found time to say up a piece of meat, which for anything Sarah, just then, as standing behind the tention from morning till night. Mollie chops.

slit in the back.) I took in all this pichad been mistress here so long, that she "Very well, that looks nice; give me ture in a kind of blank wonderment till had been mistress here so long, that she the rooms, airing closets, and disgorging certainly, with the bone out. For I ing time like choice fruit. Last year, we all went down to Nantucket to visit brother John Brewster. (He was named from a second cousin of our mother, and from a second cousin of our mother, and the pretty things came from the little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. Charlie had no sisters or cousins, a fact to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. Charlie had no sisters or cousins, a fact to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. Charlie had no sisters or cousins, a fact to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. I took the meat in, dropping the blood but to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. I took the meat in, dropping the blood but to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. I took the meat in, dropping the blood but to the weak, and this was always served her meat-pies guiltless of little knickknacks, and bric-a-brac. Charlie had no sisters or cousins, a fact to from a second cousin of our mother, and we always call him John Brewster.)

The year before Aunt Filura invited us to Brooklyn. Two years ago the lot fell on me, and where I live is of no consequence. Next year we are going to Mate's. Mate lives in Kansas City. Het lives in Berkshire. There were 20 of us in all at table, including brother John Brewster's wife's sister, and Crete's duet —that means Crete's twin 12-years-old girls.—and Aunt Orpha, who is Charlie's rubbed him into a temporary quiet, I was to find the meat in, dropping the blood which I allowed myself to feel resigned, especially as I had so many, you know. His mother died when he was a baby. How then could he have picked up all these levely bits that no one but a lady could contrive? It is really surprising how much this worried me. You could in all at table, including brother John Brewster's wife's sister, and Crete's duet —that means Crete's twin 12-years-old girls.—and Aunt Orpha, who is Charlie's rubbed him into a temporary quiet, I was the solemn concoction of the meat pinc.

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"Why Aunt Orpha, of course." "Aunt Orpha!" "Yes, certainly, Aunt Orpha. W

waited three minutes by the watch—it seemed three hours—while he addressed not to me but his At last I blurted out:

"One would think you had never seen The New York Herald editorially says: Samaria came up and took the Berlin in over. And so it came to pass that just wonderful Annt Orpha is, and where she off the flour from my dress, and when I

a very honorable promotion on his re- Charlie dropped his knife and fork and looked across at me in amazement. "I have told you of her."

"Never-never." "Well then, that is surely unpardonaserve his day and generation faithfully, est sister; she was my poem—till I knew

That was silly, of course; but he said it, it sounds judicial. After the turkey, came chicken-pie. Het's cookery bore the charm of novelty to us, because there the charm of novelty to us, because the charm of novelty the charm of novelty the charm of novelty the charm of novelty had been a kind of family tradition middle of next week! Then he told me scribe. I found, however, that here the which had its root in actual demonstration, that when she married she could life had been, how she was engaged to "What shall I do with that mountain "What shall I do with that mountain the highest success, But it must be con- know what Aunt Orpha is. No more did fessed that the very first meal in her I then; but I have been learning ever the sink. house was a disappointment to the since Charlie said one thing that amazed "family." Henceforth not one individual me; he said she would be my "revelamember had even the melancholy satistion." I wondered why, or how.

Before I went to bed that night I wrote Aunt Orpha a letter; "My dear Aunt to do it-to tell me much of you, I mean, and that is how it happened that I did or something that will prevent your coming. Don't be prevented." Then I directed my letter and posted it, glad that something was going to happen the next something was going to happen the next never aspired to be anything but a meat- week. But something did happen the next day which put all thoughts of Aunt Orpha out of my head. And now I am

coming to the smallpox. It all came about through the "youth who discovered America," as we called Christopher Columbus Collins. He was a poor half-wit who lived on the town mostly, what time he did not live with us; for Charley would pick up every cast off waif of humanity. There was a bed in the wood-shed chamber which Clum occupied whenever he chanced around. which was pretty often. Mollie did not like it, no more than I did; but we could not help it, and made the best of it from pure philosophy. The day after I had posted my letter to auntie he came, and he styed; and when I saw that he brought small pox with him you will understand the reason why. Charley was away when Clum went to bed, complaining of headache, and Mollie was really kind at heart made tea and toast and actually sat up half the night. Moilie had had small pox in New York, and long before daybreak she was wringing her hands in despair, waiting for the return of the doctor. It was a clear case, and so far had it

progressed that removal was out of the "What's the use?" I said. "The woodshed chamber is far removed from civilization as any habitable place this side patience over poor Clum, I will learn housework with none to molest or to

make afraid. And now, though I have been a long time coming to it, I have actually reached the meat-pie. Of course Charlie set up his authority, and set his foot down, but I tied on my sweeping cap, and arming myself with the broom, shook my finger in his face. "It is of no use—no use—I am not only queen but prime minister; and while Mollie pant of the wood-shed chamber, and you senate the petition of Gen. John C. Fre- pictured out in the pictorials with those take care of both, who is going to take affidavit to induce the postmaster general to expedite such routes; John W. Dorsey, making similar affidavits on April 26, 1879, to expedite route 38,140 from Trinidad to Mallison; John R. Minor, periory or 32th, and M. Caine, C. Mc

a word to me, or to pay me the least at- I knew, might be steak, or it might be door with a faded blue dress on, and a

resented to suggestion from me, and always loomed daggers if I as much as ventured into the kitchen. I used to spend my time mostly rumaging over all piece with the bone out?" and I replied, it all came to me. This was the middle of the week, and this was Aunt Orpha.

Flour must first be sifted; did Mollie use eggs? I wondered as I dusted the ness in the pill, and scalpel line. Clayte had the seat of honor this year. It is a curred to me before,) "who made this couldn't tell; I would try eggs anyway. way we have, when any of us has done anything a little better than ordinary, to give him or her the best seat at table. Current to me before,) who made this couldn't ten, I would try eggs anyway, for eggs are always safe; so I broke half like to know who did all the rest of the lovely work about the rooms—the lamany child would know that salt was very Art had it the year he took the first prize for scholarship at Harvard, and Ray (she is the soprano in Crete's duet, and short for Rachael) had it the year after she saved all her pin money to buy reading blocks for the deaf and dumb daughter.

"Well, I am sure, nutmeg grows in the pice islands," said I, immersing my ands in the sticky mass.

"Well, I am sure, nutmeg grows in the present is briefly told:

On the first day of the last week in January, nine skiffs, with their crews. spice islands," said I, immersing my hands in the sticky mass. left Porte de Grave, a town on the north-Was this all? of course there must be

west side of Conception bay, to proceed to Topsail, on the south side. The numvetting. Mollie used milk for her delicious biscuits, but water satisfies the ber of men manning these skiffs has not yet been ascertained with any accuracy, but the aggregate number would probably be fifty. Their destination was the neighborhood of Topsail Big Pond, where, from the surrounding forests, demands of the most ambitious pie that was ever made, water was the thing, but how could I get it without-oh, I could

A sudden peal upon the office bell rang through the house like the call to doom. It took me fully fifteen minutes at the kitchen sink to wash my hands, remove my apron, draw down my sleeves, dust before Thanksgiving time they had sent is, and why you never spoke of her to him home for a week, with a promise of me?"

wonderful Aunt Orpha is, and where she of the flour from my dress, and when I reached the door at last, a small boy, and there was a strong westerly set of the whose patience must have been inexhaustible, thrust into my hand a packag of some new stove polish and dodged around the corner as if he expected to be shot. I confess to the feeling that I wished he could have been, then and there. Closing and locking the door I returned again to the kitchen, this time providing myself with a dipper of water. last at a woman's convention, and I like it, and then he drew up a letter from his feeling very much as if I were preparing I again bared my arms to the contest,

not do anything but "hasty pudding," be married to a sailor, how he was lost at of meat? Oh, what shall I ever do with and some of the more critical among us had been known to affirm that even here day that had been fixed for their bridal. her efforts were not always crowned with Oh I tell you -you don't any of you the table, and the yellow, sticky marks that tracked my steps from the pantry to At this juncture the clock struck the

Killegrew in safety.

The other two skiffs that were nearly a half-hour to 12. Only one hour and a half to dinner. The coffee pot had boiled over, and to cap the climax of misery the fire had gone out. I don't believe, if Crpha-Charlie did it; that is, he failed I live to be 100 years old, I shall ever feel more perfectly helpless in any huand that is how it happened that I did man emergency than I did at that mo-not invite you to call on us. But of ment. I think if the earth had opened course I want you, and expect you just the same. And I send this by first mail and the yellow dish and the dirty coffee-

> As an earthquake refused to come to my relief, I resolved that I would rise to the occasion, or die in the effort. To the shed I went, and returned, armed along the line of the road has interwith fresh supplies of fuel. It was a rupted all communication during the work of ten minutes to rekindle the fire; past week. The wind blowing from the a work of ten more to cut off and curtail that meat, to suit the dimensions of the the bay, it was earnestly hoped by the yellow dish; and putting on the upper crust as quickly as possible, I shoved it into the open oven, just as the clock on one church steeple struck the hour of dispelled. noon. Clarlie sometimes delayed his return an hour or more.

"Oh if somebody would break a leg, or dislocate his neck!" I laughed to myskiffs were undocked and unprovided with fuel or means of kindling a fire. "Oh, if the sun would only stand They had barely one day's provisions on board. Under favorable circumstances still in the heavens!" The meat pie, temporarily off my hands, I remembered that Mollie served

vegetables with her meat pies. "Anybody can wash potatoes," I cried as a kind of prop to my sinking spirits; "yes, anybody can wash potatoes, and anybody not a natural fool can boil them. There is the remains of a loaf of baker's bread in the house, and butter, and jars of canned fruit, always to be relied upon, and for dessert, I will have oranges and and for dessert, I will have oranges and glass there was no vestige of human life wild vast mountains, this little nest of wild vast mountains, this little nest of apples." There was a kind of sauce to the meat pie, but I would use melted butter instead. Oh, I was fertile in my

The litter from my kindlings covered the floor around the stove, whose usually from their friends and homes, imbedded polished surface was grimed and smoked with burnt coffee; upon the table lay the remains of the beef, dripping down its side, and all over the floor, were the marks of beef's blood, and yolks of eggs and flour paste. The pantry door which stood open, revealed the dresser in per-fect confusion from the various unwashed dishes which I had pressed into my service. In the sitting-room the grate was filled with the remains of charrel cinders, and dead ashes of the last evening's fire. Dust everywhere and a huge spider's web, woven through the night,

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A Friendly Game.

"Say, mister!" said a tall, sunburned edged his way into the managing edit room recently. "Say, mister, do you know anything about keards?"
"Why, yes," responded the editor, "I know how to play 'everlasting' and 'old maid' and things of that kind;

why?" "That's just whas I want to ask you about. Now, in playing old maid suppose the man who holds the ac-

antes, and passes on the draw, whose bet I believe she thought I was crazy; for she hesitated just the least till I took her "That isn't the way I play it," said the editor. "In my game the player who has a queen after the other cards are played is the 'old maid."

little gray gloved hand and drew her inside, gray mist, suspicion of sachet pow-der and all, and shut the door. "Perhaps it is 'everlasting' that I'm thinking of," mused the stranger. "Suppose in 'everlasting' you should catch an old aid on the draw and when the rest of And that was the way Aunt Orpha came to us; and we never could let her

the keards was played you found you hadn't filled. What then?"

"I don't see how that question could arise in that game," said the editor.

"Maybe you are talking of that game called 'poker."

"Poker! what's that?" asked the

stranger, now looking up in innocent surprise. "That's where there they have ages

and fulls and that sort of things?"

"Do you know how to play it, stranger?" asked the tall man, drawing out a pack of cards. "Will you show me

The editor ran over the cards and dealt

two hands rapidly.
"Now," he explained, "two pairs beat one pair, three of a kind beat two pairs, a flush beats threes, and four of a kind beat a flush. What have you got?"
The stranger laid down a mixed hand as the editor explained that it was worth-less, as his own hand held a pair.

"Lemme deal 'em once," said the stranger, running them off clumsily.

"Yes," replied the editor, seeing that he had gotton hold of a sharper and mak-ing up his mind to teach him a lesson. "Five each."

of the 1st instant. The wind was blow-"Now, what do we do?" asked the "If we are betting, I'd ante a dollar wanted to come in I'd plank another dollar, and then-" line of the bay they found that the north-

ern drift-ice was running in with great rapidity, both along the northern and You put up two dollars at different times. southern shore of Conception Bay. and I put up two all at once. That it? Borne along both by wind and current, it "Yes, and then we draw." appeared to them as well and as hopeful "Let's try it once, for fun, if you don't to proceed as to retreat. They accord-

"All right," smiled the editor, and he ion. In a few hours they were literally threw two dollars on the table, which imprisoned in a sea of ice. Seven of the were promptly covered." "Now, you say we draw. How many do I take?" ergetically united their whole forces, and after hours of terrible struggling, suc-"You may take what you like, I don't want any," replied the editor. "I stand

eagerness.

their icy bondage. This the joint crew pat?" effected by dragging the skiffs alternately over the ice, pans and through the watery slatches till they eventually now ?" reached the inner western edge of the ice

The stranger bet cautionsly, and the and succeeded in making the harbor of editor raised him, and was seen until there was fifteen dollars wagered, though there was no money up, beyond the mile further advanced in the bay were as

hopelessly caught, with all retreat cut off, as would be an unfortunate sailor overboard, fallen into the corpse-like embrace of a devil-fish. The two ill-"I reckon I won't bet any more," said the stranger timidly—"who beats," he continued, and he laid down four aces. "I beat you," said the managing editor and he laid down a straight flush. "You fated skiffs were commanded by men

The stranger looked at the cards for each skiff, or their names, I bave not some time, and then dashed his fist on been able to ascertain. There is no telegraphic communication with that portion of Conception Bay where the disaster oc-"You played fair, did ye?"
"I did," replied the editor.

Slowly the stranger pulled out a greasy

curred, and, although five days have elapsed, it was only last night by an express courier that the news reached your correspondent. The unparalled snowfall The editor gave him the change, and the man went out, still running over the cards and wondering how it happened. "I thought he was a sharp and he was eastward while the skiffs were crossing only a flat," said the editor, explain the circumstance to the cashier, as he handed in the \$20 for change. people looking on from the shore that they would be able to effect a landing on

"Like to oblige you, old boy," smilled the cashier, "but that \$20 bill is a coun-Parties having business with the man aging editor for week or two will please

come armed.

The Little Shepherd Dogs.

met at Cold Spring ranch, showed us a very pretty one that he said he would not sell for \$500. She had at that time four young puppies. The night we ar-rived we visited his camp, and were visible, and the unfortunate crews must have perished by the most cruel of deaths—frost and starvation. No rescuing, the assistant herder came to say that butter instead. Oh, I was fertile in my resources.

"Whatever shall I do, with this kitchen?" I cried, looking around, and thinking that one glance at it, would strike Mollie insane.

The litter from my kindlings covered the floor around the stove, whose usually the floor around the stove whose standing the store that floor around the stove whose standing the store that floor around the store who are the floor around the store whose standing the store whose standing the store whose standing the store whose standing the s from their friends and homes, imbedded the assistant that her foot was sore, she in a sea of ice, their bodies are doubtless had been hard at work all day, was had been hard at work all day, was nearly worn out, and must suckle her puppies. The boss insisted that she must go. The sun was setting. There was no time to lose, Flora was called, and told to hunt for lost sheep, while her master pointed to a great forest, through the edge of which they passed on their way up. She raised her head, but seemed loath to leave her babies. The boss called sharely to her she as a leaking called sharply to her. She rose, looking tired and low-spirited, with head and tail down, and trotted wearily off toward "That is too bad."

"Oh, she'll be right back. She's lightning on stray sheep."

The next morning I went over to learn whether Flora found the strays. While